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NEW HUMAN HEPATOMA-DERIVED GROWTH FACTOR ENCODING

SEQUENCE AND POLYPEPTIDE ENCODED BY SUCH DNA SEQUENCE

AND PRODUCING METHOD THEREOF

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## **AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed October 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

## In the Specification

Please replace the paragraphs beginning at page 6, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraphs:

--Fig. 1 shows an alignment comparison of nucleotide sequences of HDGF2 (SEQ ID NO: 3) of the invention and mouse HDGF2 (SEQ ID NO: 9). The identical nucleotides are indicated by "|".

Fig. 2 shows an alignment comparison of amino acid sequences of HDGF2 (SEQ ID NO: 4) of the invention and mouse HDGF2 (SEQ ID NO:10). The identical and similar amino acids are indicated by "|" and ".", respectively.--

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